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Milk Production
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) The details of the total milk production in the country during the last three years and the current year:

(b) Whether the Government is aware that most of the milk supplying agencies in the country are facing the problem of adulteration:

(c) The steps taken by the Government to ensure the supply of pure and nutritious milk; and

(d) The targets fixed by the Government for the next five years to increase dairy production in the country and the efforts being made by the Government to achieve these targets?

Answer

N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) The details of the total milk production in the country during the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 are 137.7 million tonnes, 146.3 million tonnes and 155.5 million tonnes respectively.

(b)&(c) Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 provides for an effective machinery for enforcement of provisions of the Act. To check the problem of adulteration and sub-standard food products, including milk, regular surveillance, monitoring, inspection and random sampling of food products is undertaken by officials of Food Safety Departments of the respective States /UTs to ensure that food business operators comply with the standards laid down under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 and the rules and regulations made thereunder. In cases where the food samples are found to be non−conforming to prescribed standards, recourse is taken to penal provisions under Chapter IX of the FSS Act, 2006. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) also pursues the matter with the State /UT for effective implementation of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder. Further, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) have initiated National Milk Quality Survey (MQS) during 2016.

(d) The target for milk production in the country fixed by the Government for the year 2016-17 is 163.7 million tonnes. The Government supports the States through the following programme to increase dairy production in the country.

1. National Dairy Plan − Phase I (NDP-I)
2. National Programme for Bovine Breeding & Dairy Development (NPBBDD)
3. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS)

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